



## IIM Tiruchirappalli conducts the Validatory Function for its First Batch of Post Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics and Applications (PGCBAA)

The Indian Institute of Management Tiruchirappalli (IIM Trichy) held the valedictory function for the First Batch of Post Graduate Certificate Programme in Business Analytics and Applications (PGCBAA) on 13th February 2022. The one-year program, held on Sundays, is designed to help working professionals enhance their decision-making abilities using Business Analytics techniques.

The event began with a lamp lighting ceremony followed by the presentation of batch report by Programme Director, Professor Gajanand. He briefly discussed the program design and thanked all the participants for keeping up with the rigor despite various challenges. He highlighted that the program focused not just on analytical tools and techniques but also on applying them for effective decision-making. The batch of 131 students consisted of 96 male and 35 female students. Two-thirds were from an engineering background and one-third from other diverse domains such as hospitality, pharmaceutical, banking, etc. He then handed over the virtual graduation certificates to the 108 successful program participants.

The Chairperson of Executive Education and Consulting, Professor Prashant Gupta, congratulated the students for successfully completing the program during the pandemic and welcomed them to the Executive Alumni group of IIM Trichy. He invited the students for a face-to-face interaction on campus when the situation gets back to normal and thanked the family members of the students for their support.

Following this, Ms. Ranjitha Raman, Chief Executive Officer, M/s Jaro Education addressed the event by sharing three success mantras, thriving for excellence, building the right culture, and being open to new challenges. She stated that only difficult situations bring the best out of us and congratulated the students for completing the program.

The Director, Dr. Pawan Kumar Singh, addressed the audience and extended a hearty congratulations to the program participants. He remarked that the first batch of the program concluded with the auspicious number of 108 students who completed the program. Quoting *Vidya dadati vinayam*, he stated that when we become knowledgeable, we are bound to be humble. He also mentioned how hesitation is the sign of a knowledgeable person, and that right decision-making requires both a scientific and an artistic approach. He emphasized how even a small contribution through analytics gives a multiplier effect to organizations.

Program Director Prof. Satish announced the merit award winners from PGCBAA Batch 1 for their excellent academic performance. Mr. Ashish Agarwal secured the first rank, followed by Mr. Robin G Tharayil, who secured the second rank. Mr. Bharat Sham Narain received a Certificate of Merit for securing the third rank. Prof. Satish congratulated all the students and thanked all the members who were a part of the program. He then concluded his address by saying that life is all about experience, and realizing the need to learn every day is where wisdom lies.

The valedictory ceremony concluded with the National Anthem.

